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SUBJECT: POLITICAL DEBATE - CNA DEFENDS PLAN TUPAC AMARU WHILE
LEFTIST UNIONS ATTACK RECENT LABOR DECREE.

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1. THE GOP-PROMOTED CAMPESINO CONFEDERATION (CNA) ISSUED AN APRIL 13 DECLARATION CALLING ON "PEOPLES" ORGANIZATIONS" TO CLOSE RANKS BEHIND THE FRONT FOR THE DEFENSE OF THE REVOLUTION (FDRP) IN ORDER TO "DEFEND, EXTEND AND CONSOLIDATE" THE REVOLUTION. THE FDRP WAS UNDER ATTACK, DECLARED THE CNA, BECAUSE THE REVOLUITON'S ENEMIES KNOW THAT IT REPRESENTS" MILLIONS" OF PERUVIANS AND ONCE FULLY ORGANIZED WOULD GUARANTEE THE IRREVERSIBILITY OF REVOLUTIONARY CHANGE. THE CNA DENOUCED A "VAIN ATTEMPT OF THE RIGHT AND IMPERIALISM TO BREAK UP THE UNION OF ARMED FORCES AND PEOPLE". THE CNA CHARGED THAT COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARIES WERE LAUNCHING AN ALL-OUT OFFENSIVE AGAINST SOCIAL PROPERTY, REFORMS IN PRIVATE ENTERPRISE, EDUCATIONAL REFORM AND EVEN COMPLETED REFORMS IN AGRICULTURE. THE ORGANIZATION REITERATED ITS SUPPORT FOR SOCIAL PROPERTY AS THE "PRIORITY ECONOMIC SECTOR"AND SPECIFICALLY DEFENDED SOCIAL PROPERTY CHIEF ANGEL DE LAS CASAS.

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2. THE CNA DECLARATION CHARGED EMPLOYERS WITH PROMOTING LABOR

AGITATION THROUGH NON-COMPLIANCE WITH LABOR CONTRACTS AND UNJUSTIFIED DISMISSAL OF WORKERS. THE GOAL OF THE COUNTER-REVOLUTION, ACCORDING TO THE CNA, IS LABOR DISCIPLINE THROUGH REPRESSION. THE CNA ALSO CONTENDED THAT FAR-LEFT GROUPS WERE JOINING IN THE REACTIONARY CAMPAIGN.

3. THE CAMPESINO CONFEDERATION DEFENDED THE DRAFT PLAN TUPAC AMARU AND DECLARED THAT GOP POLITICAL PROGRAM MUST "EXTEND" THE REVOLUTION AND CARRY IT TOWARD PERUVIAN SOCIALISM. THE SELF-DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVES OF "SIX MILLION AGRICULTURAL WORKERS" ISSUED "DEMAND" THAT THE GOP FOLLOW THROUGH ON THE PLAN INCA, COMPLETING "THOSE ASPECTS NOT EXECUTED IN THE FIRST PHASE". FINALLY, THE CNA DEMANDED COMPLIANCE WITH THE PREVIOUSLY SCHEDULED JULY 1976 TRANSFER OF EL COMERCIO TO THE COMPEINOS, I.E. THE CNA.

4. REACTING FURTHER TO GOP DECREE WHICH PROVIDED FOR DISMISSAL OF WORKERS WHO ENGAGE IN ILLEGAL STRIKES IN MINING SECTOR (LIMA 3413), THE FAR-LEFT NATIONAL FEDERATION OF MINE AND METAL WORKERS (FNTMMP) ISSUED AN APRIL 14 ULTIMATUM GIVING GOP 15 WORKING DAYS TO SOLVE PROBLEMS AT TOQUEPALA AND OTHER MINES OR FACE AN INDEFINITE NATIONWIDE MINERS' STRIKE. MEANWHILE THE MOSCOW-LINE CGTP ISSUED SOMEWHAT CIRCUMSPECT STATEMENT TERMING GOP DECREE "UNWISE AND UNNECESSARY". THE CGTP ALLEGED THAT DECREE IN EFFECT "SUSPENDS LABOR GUARANTEES IN THE MINES AND SUSPENDS THE RIGHT TO STRIKE". THE UNION ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THERE HAVE BEEN STRIKES IN THE MINING SECTOR "IMPOSED IN AN UNDEMOCRATIC WAY AND WITH COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARY GOALS" BUT THE CGTP EXPRESSED CONCERN WITH THIS "PRECEDENT WHICH COULD EXTEND TO OTHER SECTORS" (THE CGTP FEARS ARE NOT GROUNDLESS. PROMINENT PERUVIAN INDUSTRIALIST TOLD EMBOFFS THAT THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS AT ITS APRIL 13 SESSION DISCUSSED EXTENSION OF LABOR "EMERGENCY" TO INDUSTRY. HE DID NOT KNOW OUTCOME).

5. COMMENT: THE CNA DECLARATION IS A SIGN THAT MORE RADICAL REVOLUTIONARY GROUPS ARE NOT CONCEDING THE STRUGGLE TO FORCES ATTEMPTING TO SHIFT THE REVOLUTION TOWARD A MORE CENTRIST AND MODERATE COURSE. THE FACT THAT THE DECLARATION RECEIVED FRONT PAGE TREATMENT IN GOP DAILY LA CRONICA INDICATES THAT THE GOVERNMENT IS NOT YET PREPARED TO END DEBATE WITHIN THE REVOLUTIONARY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CAMP OR TO FREEZE OUT THOSE "REVOLUTIONARY MILITANTS" WHO HAVE NOT FULLY ADJUSTED TO RECENT POLITICAL SHIFT. POLITICAL INCONSISTENCIES AND THE CONTINUED EXISTENCE OF SEVERAL POLITICAL CURRENTS WITHIN THE REVOLUTION ARE LIKELY TO CONTINUE FOR SOME TIME.
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